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For: METHOD FOR FORMATTING OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM

AT RECORDING POWER LESS THAN RECORDING POWER TO BE USED FOR RECORDING, AND RECORDING MEDIUM FORMATTED BY THE

METHOD (as amended)

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final Office Action dated March 22, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application. A notice of appeal was filed on September 22, 2006.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims section which begins on page 4.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

A replacement sheet of drawings is attached hereto as Exhibit A.